

WASHINGTON -- Congressman John W. Olver (1st District) announced today that the House Appropriations bill for a pilot transit program for the Athol-Orange-Winchendon area.&

"These funds will provide rides to educational centers, health and social services, and jobs," O

The provision in the FY '99 Department of Transportation funding bill is directed toward the effo

"Now we get to the implementation stage of this initiative," said Olver.

"The Athol-Orange area is clearly an under served population in terms of transportation.&nbsp;nb

The CTAA preliminary proposal for the pilot project includes a Dial-A-Ride service, a shuttle bu

The North Quabbin Transportation Co-op is currently assisting in identifying vehicles available

While much of the focus of the plan will be on Orange-Athol, Winchendon will be part of the init

"We need more transportation and economic development projects specifically tailored to the u

The FY '99 Transportation Appropriations bill is scheduled for House floor consideration prior t

Congressman Olver is a member of the Appropriations Committee and its Subcommittee on Tr

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